Kean University

NJ Higher Education Sector: State College or University

Diversity Council

Type of Partnership: Other Year Began: 1992

Participants Served: 67 Public and Private Schools, Kean University Students

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DESCRIPTION

The Diversity Council of Kean University is an organization dedicated to human harmony, understanding, and mutual support of issues dealing with diversity. It provides professional development for members on multicultural and diversity issues. The council attempts to raise the consciousness of students and all its members in regard to what it means to be a just and caring individual in a diverse democratic society.

Gear Up / Onward

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program Year Began: 2000

Participants Served: 0

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Partners: William C. McGinnis Middle School

DESCRIPTION

Program Services (Academic):

Computer Skills Training, Study Skills Training, Reading/Writing Instruction, Math/Science Instruction, Critical Thinking Skill Development, Grade & Attendance Monitoring

Program Services (Other):

Social Skills Development/Confidence Building, Leadership Development, Campus Visits & Tours, College Fairs, College Awareness, Career Counseling, Mentoring, Cultural Activities

Kean University

NJ Higher Education Sector: State College or University

Project Adelante

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program Year Began: 1988

Participants Served: 181

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Partners: Perth Amboy High School, Lincoln Middle School, McGinnis Middle School, Roosevelt Middle School, Shull Middle School,

Maxon Middle School, Passaic High School

DESCRIPTION

The mission of Project Adelante is to help at risk Latino youngsters in grades 6-12 achieve their fullest potential, graduate from high school and go on to higher education.

School of the Arts

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program Year Began: 2001

Participants Served: 12

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DESCRIPTION

Program Services (Academic):

Computer Skills Training, Critical Thinking Skill Development, Aesthetic principles; Social Skills Development/Confidence Building

Program Services (Other):

Social Skills Development/Confidence Building, Leadership Development, Campus Visits & Tours, Gallery exhibit on campus

Kean University

NJ Higher Education Sector: State College or University

Science STAR / Health EPIC

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program Year Began: 1987

Participants Served: 100

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Partners: nine high schools in Union County

DESCRIPTION

Kean University currently offers two five-week summer programs for minority high school juniors in the immediate vicinity of Kean University. The two programs, Project Health Epic and Project Science Star, are administered out of the College of Natural, Applied and Health Sciences. Both programs have vocabulary building and problem solving components, but differ in their academic thrusts. The programs take place four days a week for a five-week period during the summer, and students receive a \$300.00 stipend for successful completion.

Project Health Epic is designed to help students focus on health careers other than the usual professional options of medicine and dentistry. These include Medical Laboratory Science, Health Information Management, Nursing, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy. Students in this program are exposed to the various allied health professions from lectures by health professionals engaged in their particular occupations. Additionally, these students have hands-on experience in Biology and also receive computer instruction.

Project Science Star is designed to demonstrate how several science disciplines can work together to solve a problem. Emphasis is on an experimental approach to science and students collect data from experiments of their design. The sciences involved are Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, and Mathematics/Computer Science. Experiments are conducted in each of the sciences with the exception of Math/CPS. In Math/CPS students learn how to analyze data collection with the use of a computer statistics package.

Women Into Science and Technology - WIST

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program Year Began: 1994

Participants Served: 200

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DESCRIPTION

The Kean University Women Into Science and Technology (WIST) project is an outreach program to support and mentor high school girls in mathematics, science and technology. This program includes high school girls and their teachers, Kean University female undergraduates and faculty, and female scientists from local industries. The goals of WIST are to encourage high school girls to persevere in math, science and technology courses, and to consider pursuing careers in these fields. The program also strives to give undergraduate females the opportunity to act as mentors for the high school girls while interacting with professional scientists. WIST offers two all day programs: one in the spring called Career Activity Day and one in the fall called Experience Day at Kean. There are ten local high schools that participate in these programs and each high school sends 10 girls and 2-3 teachers. WIST also gives workshops at the local high school, where Kean University faculty and undergraduate women visit the high schools and present workshops to WIST participants.